WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Robert C. "Bobby" Scott (VA-03) has announced the beginning of the 20th Annual Third Congressional District High School Art Competition. The competition is open to all high school students (grades 9-12) residing in the Third Congressional District of Virginia.

An Artistic Discovery is a nationwide program coordinated by Members of the United States House of Representatives to recognize the artistic talents of our youth. The nationwide competition involves more than 50,000 talented high school students. In the past, over 200 Members of Congress have participated in the program. Congressman Scott has participated every year that he has served in Congress.

This year acceptable entries may include, but are not limited to: paintings, drawings, and photography. The first place winner will receive a scholarship and travel to DC to attend the Congressional Reception in honor of all the winners nationwide. The first place entry for each congressional district will also be displayed in the Cannon Tunnel of the United States Capitol Building for an entire year, where it will be seen by tens of thousands of people who visit the U.S. Capitol.

Representative Scott will present the first place winner and other finalists with a certificate and various other prizes at two upcoming receptions in the Third Congressional District.

All entries must be submitted by Friday, April 12, 2013. Students living in the Richmond area can submit their entries to the Congressman's Richmond District Office at 400 N. 8th Street, Suite 430, Richmond, Virginia 23219. Students living in the Hampton Roads area can submit their entries to the Congressman's Newport News District Office at 2600 Washington Avenue, Suite 1010, Newport News, VA 23607. On Thursday, April 11th from 3:00 to 5:00 pm only, students can also submit their entries to Room 216 of the University Police Building at Norfolk State University, 700 Park Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23504.

If you have any questions regarding this year's art competition, please contact Congressman Scott's Newport News District Office at (757) 380-1000.

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